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APPLICANTS: Roubenoff et al.
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FOR: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING AN ARTHRITIC CONDITION

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RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005 in the above-identified application. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee. With the three-month extension, these documents are due on or before March 9, 2006.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21629-004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.